

## News Briefs

### Troop, family call

There will be a troop and family call Thursday at 4 p.m. at Hangar 1. Everyone is invited to attend. A shuttle bus departs the Bitburg Annex medical clinic bus stop at 2:40 p.m., and shuttle service will begin at 2 p.m. on Spangdahlem AB -- making the rounds at Club Eifel, the commissary and building 151 continuously until 3:30p.m.

### Testing cycle update

The technical and master sergeant testing cycle is Feb. 15 to March 31; however, to provide relief to eligible staff and technical sergeants deploying on lengthy temporary duties, testing may be available for E-6 and E-7 earlier than the 10-duty-day window outlined in AFI 36-2605, Air Force Military Personnel Testing Program. Military testing offices are expected to receive E-6 and E-7 test booklets in early January. Eligible staff and technical sergeants may request, in writing, to test as soon as the booklets arrive, and military testing offices must make every effort to accommodate the request. The request for early testing must be endorsed by the member's commander. Call the 52nd Mission Support Squadron Promotions and Testing Office at 452-6344 for details.

### New TSGLI benefits

On May 11, President Bush signed the Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act for Defense, the Global War on Terror, and Tsunami Relief, 2005 (Public Law 109-13), which included, for the first time, a program designed to provide financial assistance to servicemembers during recovery from a serious traumatic injury. The new insurance (TSGLI) is considered a rider to the member's Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance (SGLI) policy. As of Dec. 1, all members enrolled in SGLI will receive TSGLI coverage. Congress mandated automatic enrollment for all SGLI-covered members and a member would have to decline SGLI coverage in order to cancel TSGLI coverage. The cost of \$1 per month will be automatically added to the member's monthly SGLI premium. The TSGLI benefit is a lump sum payment ranging from \$25,000 to \$100,000, depending on the extent of the injury. For more information, call Master Sgt. Terry Wise at 452-6553.

### 52nd MDG closure

With the exception of April and May, the 52nd Medical Group closures will now coincide with wing training days. The medical group's training day will no longer automatically be the first Thursday of the month. The next 52nd MDG training day will be Jan. 6 from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. People in need of urgent care should visit the Bitburg Annex Emergency Room.

### Last paper of 2005

This edition of the *Eifel Times* is the last for 2005. The next newspaper will be Jan. 6, 2006. Submit publicity requests to [publicity@spangdahlem.af.mil](mailto:publicity@spangdahlem.af.mil) or call 452-5244 for details.

### Sabers thrive in '05

Take a look back at the 52nd FW's busy year.

Check out "Sabers in Action 2005," on Page 7.



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### Auf Wiedersehen

Bundeswehr members from the German Navy's 3rd Company, 1st Naval Infantry Battalion, case the unit flag at the deactivation ceremony here Wednesday. German military members began assisting with installation entry control at U.S. military bases in Germany in 2003. Inset, A German lieutenant hands control back to the 52nd Security Forces Squadron.

Tech. Sgt. Andrew Rodier

## Wing CC shares 2005's milestones

By Col. Dave Goldfein

52nd Fighter Wing commander

Fellow Sabers, welcome to the last *Eifel Times* edition of 2005. When we look back over the past year, we can be justifiably proud of all we accomplished together here at the center of the universe and while deployed.

In virtually every corner of our wing, we have improved our ability to prepare to fight, fight to win, and take care of each other. From patrolling the skies over Afghanistan during the first democratic election . . . to breaking the 52nd Fighter Wing all-time record without a DUI . . . to building and opening new facilities . . . to winning major awards . . . to exploring the Eifel -- these are just a few of the accomplishments we can take pride in as we look back over 2005. When you read Senior Airman Sakura's rundown on page 6 and look over the photo collage on page 7, I think you'll

agree we have much to be proud of here in Saber Country.

Most importantly -- we have answered our calling, which is to use military might through our medium of air and space to make the world a better place. There are children today in Afghanistan and Iraq (no different than ours) who have hope for a future in a free nation directly because of your service and sacrifice. I can't imagine a better time to be serving our nation in uniform.

Thank you also to our families, who exhibit a very special kind of courage when they endure the long hours, the separations, and the hardships so much a part of our military service. You are truly the backbone of our Saber team.

So to each of you -- a sincere thank you for your many contributions to an incredible year. Dawn and I wish each of you a happy holiday and we look forward to an even better 2006 together.

## Air Force releases new mission statement

WASHINGTON (AFPN) -- The realities of the world have changed dramatically since the creation of the Air Force in 1947 and continue to change almost daily.

With these changes in mind, Air Force leaders released a new mission statement Dec. 7 that defines the current and future direction of the Air Force.

"Today, our world is fast paced, constantly shifting and filled with a wide range of challenges," Secretary of the Air Force Michael W. Wynne and Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. T. Michael Moseley wrote in a joint Letter to Airmen. "Our mission is our guiding compass, and now more than ever we need it to be clear and precise."

The mission statement defines the "where and what" the Air Force accomplishes on a daily basis:

The mission of the United States Air Force is to deliver sovereign options for the defense of the United States of

America and its global interests -- to fly and fight in Air, Space, and Cyberspace.

The statement includes two new concepts, "sovereign options" and "cyberspace," which the secretary and chief defined.

They said having sovereign options is the essence of being a superpower.

"Our task is to provide the president, the combatant commanders, and our nation with an array of options . . . options that are not limited by the tyranny of distance, the urgency of time, or the strength of our enemy's defenses," they said. "With one hand the Air Force can deliver humanitarian assistance to the farthest reaches of the globe, while with the other hand we can destroy a target anywhere in the world."

The term cyberspace includes network security, data transmission and the sharing of information.

"We have quite a few of our Airmen

dedicated to cyberspace . . . from security awareness, making sure the networks can't be penetrated, as well as figuring out countermeasures," Secretary Wynne said. "The Air Force is a natural leader in the cyber world and we thought it would be best to recognize that talent."

Adversaries of the United States will use any method or venue necessary to contest America, and it is an Airman's calling to dominate air, space and cyberspace, the leaders said.

"If we can decisively and consistently control these commons, then we will deter countless conflicts," they said. "If our enemies underestimate our resolve, then we will fly, fight, and destroy them."

Using past air power pioneers as examples of understanding the mission, they said, "The Air Force's mission statement has evolved over time, but it does not change the nature of who we are or what we do."

# RESCON Watch

## ALPHA

0 DUIs in the Last 30 Days

Days since last DUI: 76

Large unit with best record: 52nd Communications Squadron, 342 days  
Small units with best record: 52nd Medical Support Squadron, 52nd Dental Squadron and 52nd Contracting Squadron: No DUIs

Data Courtesy of the 52nd SFS

When going out, have a plan or call Airmen Against Drunk Driving at 06565-61-2233.



# Sabers exercise Anatolian Eagle in Turkey

By Capt. Chris Moeller  
23rd Fighter Squadron

Members of the 23rd Fighter Squadron returned recently from a two-week Anatolian Eagle exercise in Konya, Turkey.

The exercise consisted of Army and Air Force assets from Belgium, Israel, Turkey, the United States and NATO.

Over two weeks, the Fighting Hawks flew 55 sorties against a variety of simulated targets throughout Turkey. Daily missions involved about 80 aircraft from the participating countries attacking targets, while facing opposing air-to-air and surface-to-air threats.

"These exercises carry a large value in preparing the pilots for contingency operations," said Capt. Jesse Friedel, 23rd FS project officer. "They also give us the opportunity to integrate with other countries, for there is very rarely a time anymore when just one country works by itself in a conflict."

The Hawks' collaborative efforts included practicing offensive counter air, destruction of enemy air defenses and close air support. Using laser- and GPS-guided munitions; the Hawks were able to have one of the highest mission success rates during the training.

"It allowed each country the ability to train and learn from each other, Captain Friedel said. "We were able to share information during mission planning, execution and debriefing, enabling mission commanders to maximize the capabilities of every nation's systems and abilities."

The exercise was not only a joint effort of multiple countries, but also a joint effort by the members of the 52nd Fighter Wing. More than 120 members of the Saber team deployed in order for the 23rd FS to successfully deploy six aircraft to



Courtesy photo

**Three 23rd Fighter Squadron F-16s soar over Turkish skies in November. The first Anatolian Eagle joint military exercise by the U.S., Turkey, and Israel took place over southern Turkey for 13 days ending June 29, 2001. The air forces of Israel and Turkey have flown together over each other's territory since forming a bilateral defense alliance between Jerusalem and Ankara in 1996.**

Turkey and fly eight sorties a day in support of Anatolian Eagle,

"Every member of the deployed Hawk family was invaluable to the success of the exercise," said Capt. David Jones, 23rd FS Anatolian Eagle deputy project officer. "Without the support of so many different units from Spangdahlem, it would have been impossible for this deployment to be as successful

as it was." Some of the least glamorous duties carried out during this deployment were some of the most important for its success. Members of the 52nd Security Forces Squadron were on duty 24 hours a day protecting U.S. Air Force assets deployed to the Turkish air base, and members of the 52nd Contracting Squadron were in Turkey well before any of the jets showed up to work with the local nationals to ensure everything deployed members needed would be available. Overall, there were hundreds of tasks performed by deployed Sabers to make this exercise a success.

The last day of the exercise was Thanksgiving Day and everyone worked late into the evening preparing for re-deployment. Despite working on Thanksgiving Day, the Hawk family in Turkey did not miss a wonderful Thanksgiving dinner. In what was perhaps the greatest joint effort of the exercise, all Sabers in Turkey pulled together to prepare a feast.

Master Sgt. Norman Correa, acting first sergeant for the deployment, said it is not easy being away from home during the holidays.

"When deployed, (people) with you become your family," he said. "Everyone really came together to make a wonderful dinner that helped make it feel like our home away from home. It really culminated the entire exercise."

The effort of every individual from every country at Anatolian Eagle made this exercise a memorable experience for all who participated. The deployed Sabers represented the 23rd FS, 52nd Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, 52nd Equipment Maintenance Squadron, 52nd Logistics Readiness Squadron, 52nd Maintenance Operations Squadron, 52nd SFS, 52nd Operations Support Squadron, 52nd CONS, 52nd Component Maintenance Squadron, and Detachment 518.

## Newest Airman Leadership School class graduates

By Staff Sgt. Stephen Scattergood  
Pitsenbarger Airman Leadership School

**Senior Airman Roxanne Dodge**, 1st Air and Space Communications Operations Squadron, Ramstein Air Base, Germany, received top honors from Airman Leadership School Class 06-2. During the Wednesday graduation ceremony, Airman Dodge received the John L. Levitow award. **Senior Airman Satin Joyner**, 52nd Equipment Maintenance Squadron received the Academic Achievement award. **Senior Airman Timothy Rohrbach**, 52nd Contracting Squadron, received the Leadership Award. Distinguished graduates were



**Airman Rohrbach, Senior Airman Tobin Walton**, 52nd Aircraft Maintenance Squadron and Airman Joyner.

The other 40 graduates were:

### Eagle Flight

Senior Airmen **Jason Joyner**, 52nd Component Maintenance Squadron; **Tracy Ballard**, 81st Fighter Squadron; **Randy Akin**, 52nd Security Forces Squadron;

**Luke Boudier**, 52nd Communications Squadron; **Jason Dohn**, 52nd Civil Engineer Squadron; **Sedrick Evans**, 81st FS; **Travis Gamble**, 52nd EMS; **Collin Heine**, 52nd AMXS; **Zachary Marquis**, 52nd AMXS; **Thanongsack Phanda**, 702nd Munitions

Support Squadron; **Shaun Reed**, 52nd EMS; **Timothy Rohrbach**, 52nd CONS; **Hyeon Sorrell**, Air Force Element NATO Airborne Warning and Control System; and **Walter Storm**, 606th Air Control Squadron.

### Falcon Flight

Senior Airmen **Stephanie McDonald**, 52nd Aerospace Medicine Squadron; **Thomas Brawders**, 52nd CS; **Damon Ballard**, 52nd MXS; **Roxanne Dodge**, 1st ASCOS; **Matthew Fleecs**, 52nd CES; **Murah Fowler**, 52nd EMS; **Steve Huntley**, 702nd MUNSS; **Kirk Johnson**, 52nd Medical Support Squadron; **Brad Kisselbaugh**, 52nd EMS; **James Moos**, 703rd Munitions Support Squadron; **Carl Pence**, 52nd Medical Oper-

ations Squadron; **William Sloan**, 52nd AMXS; **Odus Tucci**, 52nd EMS; **Tobin Walton**, 52nd AMXS.

### Warthog Flight

**Derek Wilkerson**, 52nd AMXS; **William Morris**, 726th Air Mobility Squadron; **Timothy Bailey**, 702nd MUNSS; **Ivin Bueso**, 703rd MUNSS; **Nicholas Ettel**, 52nd CS; **Travis Groft**, 52nd EMS; **Christopher Hatten**, 52nd AMXS; **Satin Joyner**, 52nd EMS; **Adam Levandowski**, 52nd AMXS; **Juliana Meals**, 52nd Operations Support Squadron; **Jacob Metrovich**, 606th ACS; **Dustin Nantz**, 52nd EMS; **Shaquana Roberts**, 52nd Services Squadron; **Nicholas Vazzana**, 701st MUNSS; **Matthew Woods**, 52nd CES.

## Spang recycles

This holiday season, don't forget to recycle at the Spangdahlem Air Base and Bitburg Annex Recycling Centers and follow these simple tips for easy disposal.

- Get new electronics such as televisions, radios, cameras or computers for the holidays? Take the old ones to the recycling center.
- Use decorations that can be used as compost? Take them to the recycling center.
- All those gifts unwrapped with lots of left over boxes? Break them down and take them to the recycling center.
- Got leftover wrapping paper? Take it to the recycling center.
- All that plastic foam packing material to keep those gifts safe? Take it to the recycle center.
- Did Santa bring you new clothes? How about all those unwanted neckties? Take old clothes and unwanted ties to the recycling center.

### Christmas Tree Disposal

This year Christmas trees need to be taken to either the Spangdahlem AB or the Bitburg Annex RCs for disposal. Keep in mind that all items must be removed from the tree (lights, ribbons, tinsel, etc). Do not set the tree out on the sidewalk or next to refuse enclosures, as they will not be picked up there. Additionally, for all excess refuse and paper, there will be containers available at the base recycling centers. Call the 52nd Civil Engineer Squadron service contracts office at 452-6183 or e-mail 52ces.ceomq@spangdahlem.af.mil.

Spangdahlem AB RC hours of operation are Monday through Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Saturday from 8 a.m. to noon; closed Sunday. The Bitburg Annex RC hours are Tuesday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; closed Sunday and Monday.

(Courtesy of the 52nd CES)



Staff Sgt. Jennifer Lindsey

### To the rescue

Members of the 52nd Expeditionary Medical Support Team prepare to place Airman 1st Class Matthew Campbell, 52nd Civil Engineer Squadron firefighter, on a stantion to carry him to the emergency room Dec. 8 during Exercise Desert Saber. The support team simulated stabilization of patients and provided care during transport to a trauma center in the mock environment.





Senior Airman Amaani Lyle

## Top Saber Performer

**Name:** Senior Airman Nicole Mingo  
**Unit:** 52nd Maintenance Operations Squadron  
**Duty title:** Wing Time Compliance Technical Order monitor  
**Hometown:** Chicago, Ill.  
**Years in service:** Five  
**Nominee's contributions to 52nd Fighter Wing mission success:** Airman Mingo has established an outstanding TCTO program. She has proactively implemented the Maintenance Scheduling Application Tool to streamline monthly and quarterly review and validation processes of the TCTO program. This system has enabled her to accomplish these reviews on a weekly basis, reducing the review process by 50 percent. Her initiative earned her an

"Outstanding Performer" award during the wing Logistics Standardization and Evaluation Team inspection.

**Off-duty volunteerism and professional development pursuits:** Airman Mingo volunteers with Airman Against Drunk Driving, Spangdahlem Middle School balloon construction, and she is actively pursuing a bachelor's degree in paralegal studies.

**What do you do for fun?** I recently went ice skating in Trier for the first time. I had a ball; it reminds me of roller skating back home.

**What do you like most about being stationed here?** I love my job and the family-oriented atmosphere among the base maintenance schedulers.

**What's one thing you'd like to see changed or improved at Spangdahlem Air Base?** To date, I have no complaints about being stationed here at Spangdahlem AB.

# Wing lauds superior performers during recent Phase II exercise

### Staff reports

Wing officials commend the following individuals for their superior performance during Exercise Desert Saber last week.

### 52nd Maintenance Group

**Senior Airman Jacklyn Rooney**, 52nd Equipment Maintenance Squadron, and **Senior Airman David Schwanke**, 52nd EMS, were first on the scene following a sniper attack resulting in a bus accident. They called for help and administered self-aid buddy care to victims on the bus.

The **52nd Aircraft Maintenance Squadron Unit Control Center** was a professional team during the exercise. As the largest squadron on base, the 52nd AMXS provided accurate strength accounting numbers within 15 minutes of recall time.

### 52nd Operations Group

**Tech. Sgt. Terri Apling**, 52nd Operations Support Squadron, expertly supervised production of 175 aircraft mission folders, to include Time Critical Targets and target imagery, raising the bar for realistic combat training for assigned F-16 and A-10 pilots.

**Airman 1st Class Tevarian Pruitt**, 52nd OSS, crafted 15 custom mission folders for time-sensitive air support requests. Airman Pruitt tailored mission materials and enhanced training for 52nd Fighter Wing A-10 pilots as well as four joint tactical air controllers.

**1st Lt. Pete West**, 52nd OSS, ensured timely and accurate combat intelligence for the wing battlestaff, threat working group and all flying operations. He forged a team from individuals who had never been in an exercise before.

**Airman 1st Class Ryan Blackburn**, 52nd OSS, expertly delivered combat intelligence updates to the wing battlestaff. His timely analysis directly led to elimination of an exercise mortar team that repeatedly attacked the base.

### 52nd Medical Group

**Tech. Sgt. Benjamin Kratzer**, 52nd Medical Operations Squadron, took over flight NCOIC duties during the exercise and a real-world manning shortage.

## Eifel Salutes

### 52nd Medical Group

No need to mull over saluting **Maj. Mark Mullen**, who continues to offer social work classes for the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention and Treatment and Life Skills staffers during a manning crunch. Their cups runneth over ... **Master Sgt. Gregory Newton** and **Staff Sgt. Khalisha Savage** worked hard to provide nine hours of drug testing to the base in support of a drug sweep. Sergeant Savage also helped Sembach Air Base start their own version of the Saber 0-1-3 program. Do give kudos to **Docia Nave** for helping to process and schedule a record 16 ADAPT referrals within a seven-day period. Roll out the red carpet for **Staff Sgt. Rolando Decker**, who dedicated six office hours toward training record audits for the 26-member Life Skills flight. **Staff Sgt. Ernesto Otero** is a cut above the rest for his participation in the honor guard and the Saber drill team. "So-fa, so good" ... **Senior Airman Matthew Gruber** and **Airman 1st Class Dustin Spaulding** moved the pharmacy's furniture, with no interruption in customer service, to enable a contractor to complete renovation on the facility. **Capt. Ross Birdsong**, **Staff Sgt. Chris Endres** and **Senior Airman Bridget Martinez** pioneered the use of a new electronic medical record system and made the Bitburg Annex Emergency Department one of the first in the Air Force to use the new system.

### 52nd Maintenance Group

**Ron Rousseau** and **Senior Airman Dwaine Jobe** didn't need much patience to



troubleshoot and field strip an electronic countermeasure pod sub-assembly and rebuild a wiring harness -- it only took them 18 hours to do everything. **Staff Sgt. Teresa Hughes** gets a huge salute for her excellent management of integrated maintenance data -- lauded by inspection teams as nearly flawless. Your secret's safe with him ... **Tech. Sgt. Brian Beall** used his commu-

nications security savvy to prevent any write ups from leaking out during a recent bi-annual inspection.

### 38th Munitions

### Maintenance Group

Peace out ... **Tech. Sgt. Rufus Peace** and **Senior Airman Robert Wilson** volunteered to drive nearly two hours to another squadron to pick up a piece of equipment that enabled communications maintenance staffers to bring their system back online. **Staff Sgt. Donald Blackmon** doesn't duck his responsibility as his flight's physical training monitor. He provided guidance to 22 flight members to help them pass their fitness tests. Vaulting to success are **Senior Airmen David Grant** and **Aaron Johnson**, who performed modifications on vaults that yielded spectacular results. "Weed" be remiss if we didn't salute **Staff Sgt. James Flowers**, the critical maintenance action trainer who also takes college classes and finds time to volunteer as a Boy Scout leader.

*Kudos to all; Team Eifel salutes you!*  
(Compiled by Senior Airman Amaani Lyle, 52nd Fighter Wing Public Affairs Office)



Senior Airman Amaani Lyle

## Top Saber Team

**Unit name:** 52nd Maintenance Operations Squadron, Wing Plans, Scheduling, and Documentation Section

**A brief description of unit responsibilities:** The section manages the daily, weekly, monthly and long-range aircraft maintenance, scheduling and utilization capability canvassing three fighter squadrons totaling 67 aircraft valued at \$2.5 billion.

**Number of members:** Four: Staff Sgt. James Parrish, Senior Airman Nicole Mingo, and Master Sgts. Deryck Hunte and Dale Huppert.

**How does the team fit into the 52nd Fighter Wing's mission?** The section manages more than 25,000 hours in the wing's flying hour program with a budget of more than \$60.5 million. They advise commanders of maintenance capabilities while de-conflicting the weekly and daily work schedules that affect the wing's 1,700 maintenance troops. The team provides leadership, management, and training for 19 decentralized scheduling Airmen. The team also manages the Time Compliance Technical Order and Time Change Item programs for all assigned aircraft and special equipment.

**Team's other contributions through the year?** These Sabers have established a strong TCTO program. Proactive implementation of the Maintenance Scheduling Application Tool streamlined the monthly and quarterly review and validation processes of the TCTO program. This process has enabled the unit to accomplish these reviews on a weekly basis, reducing the review process by 50 percent. They also established a phenomenal master training plan. Individual task breakdowns are provided, to include overall step-by-step procedures that allow flexibility to develop section individuality yet maintain standardization within the wing.

# Congratulations ...

♦ **Maj. Ryan Nichols** earned the **Kolligian Trophy** for safely recovering an F-16 with an in-flight emergency in Lithuania while flying combat air patrol for the President and Air Force One.

♦ **Maj. Matt Albright** earned the **Air Force Chief of Safety Special Achievement Award** for integrating the Human Performance Training Team with Safety.

♦ **Master Sgt. Scotty Gifford** earned the **Outstanding Surety Safety Professional Award** for superior work during three consecutive surety inspections.

Good luck to these USAFE nominees at Air Force level!



Col. Dave Goldfein.....Commander  
Capt. Thomas Crosson.....Public affairs chief  
Capt. Mike Cumberworth.....PA deputy  
Tech. Sgt. Pamela Anderson.....PA NCOIC  
Senior Airman Amaani Lyle.....Editor  
Senior Airman Eydie Sakura.....Staff writer  
Iris Reiff.....Leisure writer

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#### Accessing Direct Line

The Direct Line program is a way to get answers to questions you still have after using your chain of command.

Direct Lines of general interest will be published in the *Eifel Times* and may be edited or paraphrased for brevity or clarity. Submit your Direct Line via:

■ DirectLine@spangdahlem.af.mil

■ Mailed to 52nd FW/PA, Unit 3680 Box 220, APO AE 09126

■ To PA in building 23.

■ Concerns may also be sent via fax to 452-5254.

Anonymous inputs are accepted. To receive a personal response you must include your name and phone number. Call the Eifel Times at 452-5244 for more information.



Col. Dave Goldfein

## December Sortie Scoreboard

Aircraft	Goal	Flown	Delta
22FS	213	221	+78
23FS	242	156	+10
81FS	248	180	+15

\*Delta is contract vs. sorties flown to date.

Through Dec. 14


Courtesy of the  
52nd Operations Support Squadron  
Plans and Scheduling Section

# Viewpoint


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## From the top



**THE SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE  
CHIEF OF STAFF, UNITED STATES AIR FORCE  
WASHINGTON DC**



To the Airmen of the United States Air Force,

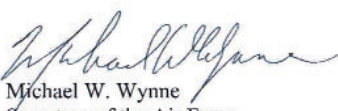
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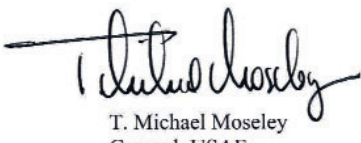
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Our adversaries will contest us across all of the domains: Land, Sea, Air, Space, and Cyberspace. As Airmen, it is our calling to dominate Air, Space, and Cyberspace. If we can decisively and consistently control these commons, then we will deter countless conflicts. If our enemies underestimate our resolve; then we will fly, fight, and destroy them.

The pioneers of airpower – Billy Mitchell, Hap Arnold, Curtis LeMay, Bennie Schriever – knew what their mission was: to fly and fight wherever our Nation calls. The Air Force's mission statement has evolved over time, but it does not change the nature of who we are or what we do. Our heritage has given us a limitless horizon. Just as our predecessors did in the past, we will continue to fly, to fight, and to win wherever we are called. We are the greatest Air Force in the world, because of you...because of your sacrifice, dedication, and skill. Keep up the great work!



Michael W. Wynne  
Secretary of the Air Force



T. Michael Moseley  
General, USAF  
Chief of Staff

## USAFE leaders send holiday message

RAMSTEIN AIR BASE, Germany (USAFENS) - The following is a joint message from Commander, U.S. Air Forces in Europe Gen. William T. Hobbins and USAFE Command Chief Master Sgt. Gary G. Coleman.



*"With the holiday season upon us, Chief Coleman and I would like to express our sincere thanks to each Airman, family member and civilian employee within this command for your hard work, dedication and selfless sacrifice.*

*"Take time to remember our brave Airmen deployed throughout the world in support of the global war on terrorism. Their numbers are significant. At this moment there are more than 2,300 USAFE Airmen deployed in that fight.*

*"And don't forget to care for the needs of their family members who remain at home station this holiday season. Their sacrifices seldom receive the level of attention as servicemembers engaged against an enemy before eyes of worldwide media, but their sacrifice is significant and should never be forgotten.*

*"We are proud of each of you and feel privileged to be a part of this great command. We wish you happy holidays and a great New Year."*

## Take charge

# Leadership could be factor in Santa's success

By Maj. Timothy Hess

52nd Maintenance Operations Squadron commander

How has Santa been so successful for so long?

It comes down to good, strong leadership. You think it's easy to keep all those elves in line and meet the ever-increasing demands of the holidays? Heck no, but he manages to do it year after year. Is his leadership style some big secret? No, in fact he's made it easy for us all to learn it.

All we need to do is remember the words to the song "Santa Claus is Coming to Town." He makes lists and checks them twice. He also finds out who's naughty and nice. Finally, he gives some sound advice, stating "you'd better be good for goodness sake!"

All of these principles apply to excellent leadership.

The first sign of a strong leader is to have a vision and goals. In order to accomplish these goals, the leader needs a plan. The plan "lists" all the steps necessary to accomplish the goal and should answer six basic questions.

**Who** needs to be involved to accomplish the goal?

**What** needs to be done?

By **when** does it need to be done?

**Where** is the organization now in relation to the goal?

**Why** is this goal important to the organization?

And finally, **how** will the organization know when the goal is accomplished?

Once the plan is formed, it should be "checked twice" to ensure it's realistic, easily understood, and flexible enough to adapt to the unexpected; keeping in mind, there's rarely such thing as a perfect plan.

The second mark of a good leader is finding out who's naughty and nice, and then taking the appropriate steps.

For those who are naughty, provide accurate and timely feedback with suggestions on how they can improve.

Problems need to be confronted early when they are small or they will soon become larger issues. For those who are nice, it's just as important to show interest in their work and recognize superior performers in front of their peers.

Regardless of the person's performance, the key is to document early and often.

The final characteristic of a true leader is being good, for goodness sake. This means setting the example every time, all the time. Like it or not, leaders live in a fish bowl and are constantly being watched.

Subordinates will assume it is okay to do whatever the leader does. As a result, the leader's actions are the performance standards others will follow. Therefore, leaders must model the behaviors they expect from others. This doesn't mean a leader can't have any fun. It does mean the leader knows how to do so without compromising their position or the respect of their subordinates.

One of my previous commanders put it this way: If you sing songs on your neighbor's lawn at night with your church group it's called "caroling." That's respectable fun. But if you're singing alone with no pants on it's called "drunk and disorderly."

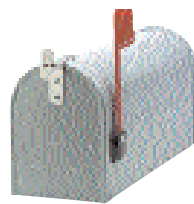
Keep Santa's leadership tips in mind and have a great holiday season.





## Community Mailbox

Submit "Community Mailbox" advertisements 10 days before the desired publication date to [publicity@spangdahlem.af.mil](mailto:publicity@spangdahlem.af.mil).



### Library Christmas party

Spangdahlem AB and Bitburg Libraries invite Team Eifel to their Christmas parties, featuring storytelling and snacks, today at 3 p.m. Call Carmen Gonzalez at 452-6203 for details.

### Tween dance

A Holiday Winter Wonderland dance for youth ages 6-12 takes place today from 7-9 p.m. in the Bitburg Annex Teen Center, building 58. The event is free to "tweens" who bring a \$5 non-wrapped gift for a local child in need. Snacks are provided. Without a gift donation, cost is \$5 for members and \$7 for non-members.

### Win Polish pottery

Play bingo for Polish pottery Saturday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Brick House. Cost is \$5 for three cards for the first 12 games, then it is \$1 per card for the 13th game, "cover all."

### Teen tourney night

A teen foosball and pool tournament takes place Saturday at 7 p.m. Cost is \$5 for teen center members and \$7 for non-members. One winner from each event wins a prize. For details, call Patti Porter at 452-9206 for details.

### Music Tech II

A class on writing sheet music, mixing musical loops, and composing and recording original songs takes place Monday Dec. 23 in the Spangdahlem AB youth center annex, building 458. Classes meet Monday-Friday from 2-3:30 p.m. for grades 4-8, and Monday-Friday from 3:45-5:15 p.m. for grades 9-12. Cost is \$15 for the week.

### Airman's holiday party

A free dinner and prize raffle sponsored by 52nd Fighter Wing first sergeants takes place Dec. 23 from 6-10 p.m. in the Brick House. Call Kim McElfresh at 452-7381 for details.

### Holiday caroling

Team Eifel members are invited to join the Torch and Keystone clubs to sing carols around Bitburg Annex Dec. 23, starting at 6 p.m. at the Bitburg Teen Center. Call Patti Porter at 452-9206 for details.

### Dec. 31 tailgate party

A free New Year's Eve Tailgate party takes place Dec. 31 from 7-9 p.m. near



Senior Airman Amaani Lyle

### Like a bowl full of ... cereal

Six-year-old Billy Aronowitz receives a new set of cereal bowls as an early Christmas gift after sharing his wish list with "Santa" and his angel helper at the Spangdahlem Air Base Commissary Monday. Billy is the son of Tech. Sgt. William Aronowitz, 52nd Communications Squadron. The Spangdahlem AB Commisary hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Dec. 24; closed Dec 25-26; 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Dec. 31 and closed Jan. 1. The Bitburg Annex Commissary hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Dec. 24; closed Dec. 25; 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Dec. 26; 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Dec. 31; and closed Jan. 1.

the Brick House. Activities include live music, a cookout, games and bingo.

### Career day speakers wanted

Spangdahlem Middle School seeks wing members to share information about their occupation with 7th and 8th graders Feb. 3 from 1:15-2:30 p.m. E-mail [sennie.smith@eu.dodea.edu](mailto:sennie.smith@eu.dodea.edu) or call 452-7276 for more information.

### English as a second language

An intermediate English language class takes place Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. to noon, Jan. 10 through Feb. 16, in Bitburg Annex building 2001. Call Lynn Luria at 452-9491 for details.

### Help for parents

A two-session class designed to help parents dealing with common children's behavioral problems takes place Jan. 11 and 18 from 6-8 p.m. Free childcare is available for participants who register early. Call Lynn Luria at 452-9491 for details.

### Don't spend Christmas Alone

Come spend Christmas Eve at the Brick House from 5 p.m. to midnight,

and enjoy turkey and ham sandwiches with all the trimmings. There will be music, beer lover's basket bingo, an armchair quarterback contest and a karaoke contest. For more information, call Kim McElfresh at 452-7381.

### Wanted: SMS volunteers

Spangdahlem Middle School seeks a work center interested in showing students how they accomplish their daily mission for the SMS annual Groundhog Job Shadow Day Feb. 2. Interested units should e-mail [elizabeth.childs@eu.dodea.edu](mailto:elizabeth.childs@eu.dodea.edu) or call 452-7205 before Jan. 15 for details.

### BMS yearbook sales

Yearbook pre-sale registration takes place now through Jan. 26. Cost for the publication is \$20. Parents should make checks out to the "BMS PTSA."

### Scholarship info

The Defense Commissary Agency and the Fischer House Foundation accept applications now through Feb. 22 for education scholarships for children of military families and retirees. Visit [www.militaryscholar.org](http://www.militaryscholar.org) for details.

## 2005 Advent, Christmas and New Year's chapel services

### Spangdahlem Air Base

#### Catholic

- ♦ Christmas Day Mass, Dec. 25 at 08:30 a.m.
- ♦ New Year's Eve Mass, Dec. 31 at 5 p.m.
- ♦ New Year's Day Mass, Jan. 1 at 08:30 a.m.

#### Protestant

- ♦ Children's Christmas Service, Dec. 24 at 5 p.m.
- ♦ Christmas Day Service, Dec. 25 at 10:30 a.m.
- (No 5 p.m. Sunday Night Live service)

### Bitburg Annex

#### Catholic

- ♦ Children's Christmas Pageant, Dec. 24 at 4:30 p.m.
- ♦ Christmas Eve Children's Mass, Dec. 24 at 5 p.m.
- ♦ Christmas Day Mass, Dec. 25 at 11:30 a.m.
- ♦ New Year's Day Mass, Jan. 1 at 11:30 a.m.

#### Protestant

- ♦ Christmas Eve Candlelight, Dec. 24 at 7 p.m.
- ♦ Christmas Day Service, Dec. 25 at 09:30 a.m.
- (No 08:15 a.m. and 1 p.m. services)
- ♦ New Year's Watch Night Service, Dec. 31 at 10 p.m.

#### Islamic

Contact the chapel at 452-6711 or the lay leader at 0160-554-9456 for night prayers at the local mosque.

#### Jewish

- ♦ Ramstein/KMC Hanukkah First Candle lighting and dinner, Dec. 25 at 6 p.m., south chapel, building 2403
- ♦ Sixth Candle lighting, Shabbat service, potluck, Dec. 30 at 6 p.m., south chapel. For details, call Rabbi Donald Levy at 480-5570.

## Spangdahlem Football Frenzy Week 15

### Circle Your Choices For Each Game

Tampa Bay at New England	San Diego at Indianapolis
Kansas City at NY Giants	Seattle at Tennessee
Denver at Buffalo	San Francisco at Jacksonville
Arizona at Houston	Cincinnati at Detroit
Carolina at New Orleans	Cleveland at Oakland
Dallas at Washington	Philadelphia at St Louis
NY Jets at Miami	Atlanta at Chicago
Pittsburgh at Minnesota	Green Bay at Baltimore

### Week 15 Tiebreaker

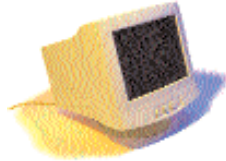
Total Number of Touchdowns in All Week 15 Games: \_\_\_\_\_

Club Member Rank/Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Unit: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Last 4 of Club Card: \_\_\_\_\_

Favorite NFL Team: \_\_\_\_\_

**Drop off completed entry forms at Club Eifel before end of 1st Quarter of 1st game each week. One entry per Club member.**



## Der Markt

### Free classifieds policy and submission deadlines

Der Markt is for the personal resale of items by military and civilian employees and their families. Items such as advertisements for rental property won't be published due to funded paper restraints. Ads should be 35 words or less and customers are limited to no more than two ads per week. Ads must be typed or printed legibly and turned into the public affairs office, building 23, at least **10 days before the desired date of publication**. Ads can also be e-mailed to [publicity@spangdahlem.af.mil](mailto:publicity@spangdahlem.af.mil) or sent via fax to 452-5254. Having ads in by deadline does not guarantee publication. Ads for services generating regular income will not be published. The ads must include the sponsor's name and telephone number. Ads not meeting these requirements, including those exceeding the designated word limits, will not be printed. The *Eifel Times* staff reserves the right to edit ads.





A C-17 *Globemaster* touches down here Sept. 13 and was the first aircraft to use the wing's newly constructed dedicated airlift ramp. The ramp was just one of the construction projects build here as part of the Rhein-Main Transition Program.



2nd Lt. Shannon Collins

Tech. Sgt. Steven Pierik, 81st Aircraft Maintenance Unit dedicated crew chief for A-10 *Thunderbolt II* tail number 952, signals to Col. Scott West, 52nd Fighter Wing vice commander, as he performs pre-flight checks. Tail number 952 flew into history as it achieved 10,000 flying hours July 22. It is the first A-10 in U.S. Air Forces in Europe and the sixth A-10 in the Air Force to achieve this feat.

## Retrospective: Sabers bask in glow of accomplishments

By Senior Airman Eydie Sakura  
52nd Fighter Wing Public Affairs Office

The 52nd Fighter Wing met wing mission goals in-garrison as well as remained vigilant in support of contingencies over the past year.

In 2005, Sabers tackled deployments, construction projects and inspections, all the while being constantly ready to project superior combat power.

"Looking back on the past year, I'm amazed at the pace the wing has maintained while racking up a record of outstanding performances," said Col. Dave Goldfein, 52nd Fighter Wing commander. "The Saber experiences and accomplishments of 2005 truly demonstrate we train and fight to win while taking care of our people."

In the first part of the year, the 52nd Services Squadron opened the new Club Eifel and Sabers learned the importance of being good Wingmen as U.S. Air Forces in Europe introduced Combat Wingman and the Wingman card. The 22nd Aircraft Maintenance Unit, 22nd Fighter Squadron, 52nd Aircraft Maintenance Squadron and several other units flexed their muscle during a surge March 6-10, setting a new daily record of 70 sorties and a total four-day record of 273 sorties. The wing commander introduced Responsibility Condition (RESCON) and Saber 0-1-3, which are positive and creative programs designed to foster a culture of responsible drinking.

Team Eifel also participated in a Phase I operational readiness inspection in June, receiving an overall "Excellent" rating. This rating was music to the ears of the Sabers who filled the Spangdahlem AB theater in June to hear the much-anticipated results of the ORI.

"This (was) the best reception, and these were the most motivated folks we've ever run into," said Col. Dawn Wheeler, USAFE IG team leader.

Team Eifel proved to USAFE they were "excellent" when it came to transitioning from normal peacetime operations into a wartime/contingency posture, where units could mobilize, generate and deploy from their home station quickly.

During the summer, Sabers celebrated living in "the center of the universe" by participating in the Fourth of July Big Annual Summer Happening (BASH) and Explore the Eifel, a week where Sabers were granted two two-day passes to travel throughout Germany's Eifel region and immerse themselves in the culture.

In August, the wing hosted the USAFE Sure Fire 2005 weapons loading competition -- the first after a 13-year hiatus due to increased real-world deployments and operation funding demands. Teams from Aviano Air Base, Italy,



Airman 1st Class Stacy Moless

Staff Sgt. John Putnam, 52nd Maintenance Operations Squadron A-10 loadcrew 1-man, stabilizes a MK-82 AIR bomb while it is being removed from the trailer during the Sure Fire 2005 weapons loading competition here Aug. 25.

and Royal Air Force Lakenheath, England, participated in the competition, but the 81st Aircraft Maintenance Unit took first place in the overall challenge.

The 52nd FW celebrated 52 years in the Eifel with the Eifel Reunion and the long-awaited ribbon cutting for the new Air Mobility Command campus in September. It was a time for old and new friends from near and far to return "home to the Eifel" to help celebrate this historic event.

Lt. Gen. Robert D. Bishop Jr., USAFE vice commander, was on hand during the festivities to share his story about Rhein-Main Air Base's prominence in history and the torch it passed to Spangdahlem AB.

"Rhein-Main (AB) passes a distinguished mobility legacy to Spangdahlem (AB), which will continue to provide support through enhanced flight capabilities," he said.

Incorporating the new air mobility command mission was a major feat for the wing, was welcoming Army personnel to the base for the Joint Fires Center of Excellence, the U.S. military's only Europe-based joint fire-power education center, which rounded out the year's many activities.

The JFCoE is a USAFE-inspired initiative to enhance close air support operations by providing training for military members stationed in Europe who are likely to engage in joint and combined combat environments.

The year ended with combat skills training for Phase II exercises and a new USAFE commander, Gen. William T. Hobbins.

Congratulations to all the groups and geographically-separated units on their accomplishments throughout the year. Some of the wing's highlights were:

### 52nd Operations Group

- ♦ F-16 and A-10 briefing rooms upgraded
- ♦ Helped mobilize the successful transition of RMTP and the new Air Mobility Squadron

- ♦ 606th Air Control Squadron returned from deployment; deployed to Bitburg twice for training; received first NATO evaluation in more than 14 years; convoyed to Holland Flag; and supported wing's expeditionary combat skills training.

### 52nd Medical Group

- ♦ Renovations: designed, managed and completed \$300,000 upgrades in the Bitburg Annex hospital Emergency Room and \$250,000 fixes in the Spangdahlem Air Base clinic lobby and entrance.

- ♦ New technology: Introduced electronic medical records for detailed and real-time information regarding the care and treatment of patients; and configured and installed 70 new PC workstations and 15 new printers.

- ♦ 52nd Dental Squadron provided in-garrison care to four geographically separated units via the dental bus, providing care to roughly 1,300 active-duty and family members and achieving a 99-percent deployability rate.

### 52nd Mission Support Group

- ♦ 52nd Services Squadron wins Air Force best small squadron and small unit Innkeeper awards.

- ♦ Orchestrated operational integration of the 726th Air Mobility Squadron with the 52nd FW.

- ♦ Led wing to "excellent" rating during USAFE/IG Phase I ORI with disaster control center being the nerve center and focal point for the wing.

### 52nd Maintenance Group

- ♦ 2005 USAFE winner of the Clements McMullen Memorial Daedalian Weapon System Maintenance Trophy.

- ♦ Deployed 90 aircraft, 1,184 maintenance personnel and 1,383 short tons of equipment; supported 10 operational exercises and eight major air shows.

- ♦ The group was lauded by the IG during the 2005 USAFE/IG Phase I ORI. They earned two "outstanding" ratings, 47 "best prac-

- tices" and four "Pats on the Back," giving the group USAFE's best results in four years.

### 38th Munitions Maintenance Group

- ♦ Winner of the 2005 USAFE Food Services Excellence Award, 701st Munitions Support Squadron, Kleine Brogel Air Base, Belgium.

- ♦ Completed a \$700,000 new fitness center; improving quality of life for more than 135 active-duty members, 702nd Munitions Support Squadron, Buechel Air Base, Germany.

- ♦ Received \$240,000 to design and plan a new Child Development Center with Dutch hosts, 703rd Munitions Support Squadron, Volkel Air Base, the Netherlands.

### 726th Air Mobility Squadron

- ♦ Transitioned and moved approximately 96 active-duty members and civilians, 30

vehicles valued at nearly \$6 million and more than 200,000 pounds of tools and equipment from Rhein-Main AB.

- ♦ Handled more than 330 AMC aircraft, moved nearly 3,000 passengers and 255 tons of cargo to and from areas of responsibility since transitioning here Oct. 1.

- ♦ Achieved an "Outstanding" on a staff assistance visit from the commander's support staff; earned "Best on Base" for flightline driving program; and won the prestigious AMC 2005 Maintenance Effectiveness award for a consolidated aircraft maintenance unit.



Tech. Sgt. Cindy Dorfner

Two F-16 *Fighting Falcons* await refueling from a KC-135 *Stratotanker* from Royal Air Force Mildenhall, England, en route to the Moscow International Aviation and Space Salon Aug. 14.



Senior Airman Christy Byers

The 606th Air Control Squadron convoyed to Marnevaart, Holland, Sept. 6-19 to exercise their wartime capabilities. Inset, Senior Airman Matthew Reid, 606th ACS vehicle operations controller, got to experience the down-range dilemmas from the scope of an M-60.



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Sports Briefs

Congratulations Fire Dawgs

Congratulations to 52nd Civil Engineer Squadron fire-fighters Chief Master Sgt. (S) **Michael Cavaliero**, Staff Sgt. **Cory McGee**, Senior Airman **Jack Snyder** and Herr **Gerd Mueller**, who recently participated in the Fire and Emergency Services’ Combat Firefighter Challenge Team competition in Deerfied Beach, Fla.

Bowling with Santa

Santa Claus makes a special appearance at the Eifel Lanes Bowling Center Sunday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Children can have breakfast with the man in red and get their picture taken with him. Santa will also be collecting donations for children at the Speicher Orphanage. Donations should be a wrapped gift for a child age 5-15 years, with a tag stating age and gender of the child. People who bring a gift bowl for free. For details, call Eric Guth at 452-2695.

Paintball surveys

Stop by select 52nd Services Squadron facilities and complete a five question survey designed to get feed-back on a possible paintball field here. People who fill out a survey will automatically be entered to win a DVD player. Surveys are posted at ITT, Outdoor Recreation, Eifel Mountain Golf Course, Eifel Lanes Bowling Center and the Mosel Dining Hall. For details, call Aslynn Rust at 452-6466.

Three-on-three shoot out

Sabers can take part in a free three-on-three shoot out Jan. 1 from noon to 5 p.m. at the Skelton Memorial Fitness Center. Events entail a three-on-three double elimination tournament, with three \$50 gift certificates; three-point shoot out, with one \$40 gift certificate; free throw chal-lenge, with one \$30 gift certificate; and coast-to-coast chal-lenge, with one \$30 gift certificate. For more information, call Mark Warner at 452-6634.

Advent’s rich history touches modern Germany

Story and photo by Iris Reiff  
52nd Fighter Wing Public Affairs Office

The four Sundays of Advent mark the beginning of the Christmas season; a tradition which has existed in the Western church since the sixth century and originally was a time for fasting.

In later years, Advent became more focused on families preparing for Christmas.

During the Advent season, when the days began getting short-er, children focused on being creative and making Christmas handicrafts and ornaments. The children made them together with their parents, or in school or Kindergarten.

A very unique Christmas feature is the Advent wreath which became popular in northern Germany soon after World War I. Since the 1930s, it has become popular throughout German-speaking parts of Europe.

The wreath is made of fir branches with four candles, one of which is lighted on each Advent Sunday until all four are burning together.

Sunday is Fourth Advent. The fourth candle is lit during church services and at people’s homes. Some families sit in front of the wreath and read a Christmas story or sing a Christmas song with the small children.

Advent is also the time when families start baking world-renown tasty Christmas goodies. There are all kinds of cakes and pastries eaten only during this special time of the year. Such deli-cacies include a delicious fruit loaf, or Stollen; and spicy ginger-bread, or Lebkuchen.

Among the oldest methods of baking uses carved wooden molds for ornamental cookies, such as with the Lebkuchen. The center for baking gingerbread is in Nuernberg. The honey, essen-tial for the Lebkuchen is produced in this area. The geniune, tra-ditional Lebkuchen recipes are guarded like the Crown Jewels – not even the bakers’ assistants know all the ingredients that go into the dough.

Although Germans will start decorating their homes during the Advent season with Christmas ornaments and fir branches,



Four candles in the Advent wreath are illuminated one by one each Sunday before Christmas Day.

the Christmas tree usually goes up Christmas Eve before it receives its decorations.

People throughout the country are currently enjoying the Christmas Markets scattered throughout the region. Some popu-lar markets include:

- ♦ **Wittlich**, now through Dec. 18 at various times.
- ♦ **Trier** in the main market square now through Dec. 22, Monday through Saturday, from 10 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. and Sunday, from 11 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.
- ♦ **Bernkastel** throughout the center of town, now through Dec. 21, Monday through Thursday from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Friday, Saturday and Sunday from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.
- ♦ **Cochem**, now through Dec. 18, open daily from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. in the center of town.
- ♦ **Luxembourg City**, now through Dec. 31, open daily from 10:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Places d’Armes and Rue du Cure, located in the heart of the city.
- ♦ **Vianden, Luxembourg**, Medieval Christmas market, Dec. 17-18 around the castle.

Movies

The following movie listings are for today through Dec. 29. Times and movies are subject to change. For more information, call 06565-61-9441 or 452-9441. For movie synopses, visit [www.aafes.com/ems/default.asp](http://www.aafes.com/ems/default.asp).

Spangdahlem Skyline

Today  
*Into the Blue* (PG-13, 7 p.m.)  
When four young divers discover a legendary shipwreck rumored to contain millions in gold at the bottom of the sea, they believe their dream of buried treasure has come true. But nearby on the ocean floor, a sunken plane full of illegal cargo threatens their find.  
  
*Lord of War* (R, 9:30 p.m.)  
A wily arms dealer dodges bullets and betrayal as he schemes his way to the top of his profession, only to come face to face with his conscience. But it’s not easy to leave a life of girls, guns and glam-our when nobody wants you to stop, not even your enemies.  
  
Saturday  
*Chicken Little* (G, 7 p.m.)  
After Chicken Little causes widespread panic -- when he mistakes a falling acorn for a piece of the sky -- the young chicken is determined to restore his reputation.  
  
*Two for the Money* (R, 9:30 p.m.)  
A star college football player, at the top of his game, blows out his knee, forcing him to choose a new profession. He winds up getting into the sports gambling business and is recruited by a man who runs one of the best sports-booking operations in the country.

Sunday  
*Chicken Little* (4 p.m.)  
*Into the Blue* (7 p.m.)  
  
Monday  
*Lord of the War* (7 p.m.)  
  
Tuesday  
*Chicken Little* (7 p.m.)  
  
Closed Wednesday and Thursday  
  
Dec. 23  
*History of Violence* (R, 7 p.m.)  
A bloody self-defense incident involving a mild-mannered man brings his hidden past back to haunt him and his family.  
  
*Get Rich or Die Tryin’* (R, 9:30 p.m.)  
This is a tale of an inner-city drug dealer who turns away from crime to pursue his passion, rap music.  
  
Dec. 24  
*Wallace and Gromit: The Curse of the Were-Rabbit* (G, 7 p.m.)  
Wallace and his loyal dog, Gromit, set out to discover the mystery behind the garden sabotage that plagues their village and threatens the annual giant vegetable growing contest.  
  
*Domino* (R, 9:30 p.m.)  
This is a recounting of Domino Harvey’s life story. The daughter of actor Laurence Harvey turned away from her career as a Ford model to become a bounty hunter.

Dec. 25  
*Wallace and Gromit: The Curse of the Were-Rabbit* (7 p.m.)  
\*Free movie, medium popcorn and medium soda for Department of Defense ID cardholders  
  
Dec. 26  
*Get Rich or Die Tryin’* (7 p.m.)  
  
Dec. 27  
*Wallace and Gromit: The Curse of the Were-Rabbit* (7 p.m.)  
  
Closed Dec. 28-29  
  
**Bitburg Castle**  
Today  
*An Unfinished Life* (PG-13, 7 p.m.)  
Still in shock from his only son’s death a decade earlier, Einar has let his ranch fall into ruin along with his marriage. Einar intends to live out his days in this heartbroken solitude until the person he blames for his son’s accident comes to town.  
  
*The Weather Man* (R, 9:30 p.m.)  
Popular Chicago weatherman, Dave Spritz, has a shot at the big time. Professionally, Dave is on the top of the world, but his personal life is in complete disarray, and the harder he tries to control events, the more he finds life, like the weather, is completely unpredictable.  
  
Saturday  
*Serenity* (PG-13, 7 p.m.)  
Captain Malcolm Reynolds ekes out a living pulling off small crimes and transport-for-hire aboard his ship, Serenity. When the captain and his

crew take on two new passengers, they get much more than they bargained for.  
  
*The Weather Man* (9:30 p.m.)  
  
Sunday  
*The Greatest Game Ever Played* (PG, 4 p.m.)  
Francis shocked the golf world at the 1913 U.S. Open when, flanked by his 10-year-old caddie, he defeated his idol, the defending British champion.  
  
*An Unfinished Life* (7 p.m.)  
  
Closed Monday and Tuesday  
  
Wednesday  
*The Weather Man* (7 p.m.)  
  
Thursday  
*Serenity* (7 p.m.)  
  
Dec. 23  
*Chicken Little* (7 p.m.)  
  
*Lord of War* (9:30 p.m.)  
  
Dec. 24  
*Into the Blue* (7 p.m.)  
  
Closed Dec. 25-27  
  
Dec. 28  
*Chicken Little* (7 p.m.)  
  
Dec. 29  
*Lord of War* (7 p.m.)